

Middle School Profile

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Southwest Florida Christian Academy

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Accreditation/Affiliations

Association of Christian Schools
International (ACSI)
Southern Association of Colleges and
Schools (AdvancEd SACS)
Southern Baptist Association of
Christian Schools (SBACS)
International Association of Christian
School Administrators & Board
Members (IACSA & B)
The College Board

Mission Statement

*Southwest Florida Christian Academy,
a ministry of McGregor Baptist Church,
will partner with Christian parents in
providing their children with a distinc-
tively biblical and academically excellent
education that will equip students to
successfully engage the culture for
Christ.*

Southwest Florida Christian Academy was founded in 1994, as a ministry of McGregor Baptist Church, and is a co-educational, college preparatory school enrolling students from kindergarten through grade 12. SFCA is located in Lee County on the southwest coast of Florida. Students travel from the surrounding areas of Cape Coral, North Fort Myers, Port Charlotte, Lehigh Acres, Bonita Springs and Naples.

Faculty: The educators at SFCA must hold a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree in the field they are teaching, as well as professional certification through the Association of Christian Schools International. In addition, many hold state certification. The teaching staff averages thirteen years of educational experience and the standard class size limit is 25.

Athletics: The Florida High School Athletic Association is the governing body for student athletes at SFCA.

Student Leadership Academy has been established at Southwest Florida Christian Academy for the purpose of identifying and training the next generation of leaders.

Middle School Curriculum

Bible

6th Grade: *ACSI Bible* (Purposeful Design)
7th Grade: *Building on the Rock* (Summit)
8th Grade: *Lightbearers* (Summit)

Language Arts

Literature (Houghton Mifflin and Pearson)
Vocabulary (Sadlier)
Grammar and Writing (Shurley English)
Various Novels

Math

IXL
Math 6 (Sadlier)
Pre-Algebra (McGraw Hill)
Essentials for Algebra (Sadlier)
*Algebra I and Algebra I Honors (McGraw Hill)
*Algebra I and Algebra I Honors receive one high school math credit.

Grading Scale	
A	100-90
B	89-80
C	79-70
D	69-60
F	59-below

Science

6th Grade: Earth Science (Purposeful Design)
7th Grade: Life Science (McGraw Hill)
8th Grade: Physical Science (McGraw Hill)

Social Studies

6th Grade: World History (McGraw Hill)
7th Grade: U.S. History (McGraw Hill)
8th Grade: Civics and Economics (McGraw Hill)

It is our goal to develop each student's God-given talents through our elective courses. We do this through classroom instruction, as well as through participation in competitions and performances. Students receive instruction from teachers who specialize in each area.

6th Grade PE

This program heavily incorporates cooperation in team activities and utilizes dynamic movements to improve coordination, agility, balance and reaction time. The 6th grade curriculum is meant to prepare the students to properly adapt to the challenges of 7th and 8th grade PE class.

6th-8th Grade Choir

Students learn vocalization, music theory and composition, self-evaluation and analysis, performance, and music history. The students will participate in performances, as well as choral festivals and competitions.

6th-8th Grade Art

Students are given opportunities to develop their creativity through several mediums. Students will learn a variety of two and three-dimensional techniques including painting, drawing, collage, printmaking, and sculpting.

7th/8th Grade PE/ Weight Training

The upper middle school PE curriculum focuses on a holistic approach to wellness. Dynamic movement is incorporated every day to improve coordination, balance and agility. An individualized weightlifting program is designed for each student to improve strength, decrease stress, and prevent injuries. Students are taught lifetime wellness skills to be taken well past their high school years.

7th/8th Grade Career and Financial Planning

Students will discuss various careers while learning how to budget, plan for high school coursework, and study effectively across multiple disciplines. Students will discover how they can use their spiritual gifts and personal skill set to become the person God desires for them to be.

8th Grade Study Hall

In study hall, students are provided time to study and complete homework assignments.

6th Grade Technology

Students will demonstrate understanding of basic technology concepts and will master basic operations in applications such as Word®, PowerPoint®, and Excel®. Students will also further their typing skills.

6th-8th Grade Drama

Students will engage in learning experiences that will enhance their ability to perform on stage. They will learn costuming, make-up, staging, reader's theatre, lighting and various components of theatre production.

6th-8th Grade Band

We have Beginning and Concert Bands. Students learn techniques, form and analysis, music history and composers, with continued emphasis on performance. Students will participate in performances, as well as band festivals and competitions.

7th/8th Grade Next Gen Technology

This tech class encompasses a wide array of topics for students to discover. Coding, programming, and gamification will be explored as well as determining how media software is used in video and web mediums. Students should have a comfortable working knowledge of basic computer operations and flexibility in developing his/her technological abilities.

7th/8th Grade Journalism

Students will learn various components of editorial and publishing skills while engaging in formal and informal writing. They will compose various types of fiction and nonfiction stories and create works that depict facts, opinions, and ideas. Activities will also include public speaking, interviewing, weekly broadcasted announcements, and publishing quarterly newsletters.

8th Grade Forensic Science

Students will be introduced to the science of solving crimes. They will learn about cutting-edge forensic science practices and procedures such as DNA profiling, digital imaging, discovering clues, analyzing evidence, and crime scene reconstruction. Students will participate in lab explorations, engage in hands-on activities, and participate in discussions with professionals who are in the field of Forensics.